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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to approved driver education courses.

2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

1 Section 1. Section 321.178, subsection 1, paragraph a,
2 unnumbered paragraph 1, Code 2016, is amended to read as
3 follows:

4 An approved driver education course as programmed by the
5 department shall consist of at least thirty clock hours of
6 classroom instruction, of which no more than one hundred eighty
7 minutes shall be provided to a student in a single day, nor
8 more than three hundred minutes per week unless additional
9 time is needed to make up a class due to a student's excused
10 absence or class cancellation; and six or more clock hours of
11 laboratory instruction of which at least three clock hours
12 shall consist of street or highway driving. Street or highway
13 driving instruction shall be limited to not more than thirty
14 minutes per student per week and no more than two students may
15 be present in the vehicle during street or highway driving
16 instruction. Classroom instruction shall include all of the
17 following:

18 EXPLANATION

19 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
20 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

21 This bill limits the number of minutes per week of classroom
22 and street or highway driver education instruction that may be
23 provided to a student per week in an approved driver education
24 course.

25 The bill limits classroom instruction time to no more than
26 300 minutes per week unless additional time is needed to make
27 up a class due to an excused absence or class cancellation, and
28 limits street or highway driving instruction to not more than
29 30 minutes per student per week. The bill also provides that
30 no more than two students may be present in the vehicle during
31 street or highway driving instruction.

32 The current approved course requirements of 30 total clock
33 hours of classroom instruction and three total hours of street
34 or highway driving remain unchanged.